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HONGKONG, DECEMBER 22ND, 1905.

We can but admire the ability of Baron K. SUYEMATSU to take "into calm and dispassionate consideration" matters which inspire us, who are less interested than he, with mixed feelings akin to humiliation and rage. Ridicule, logic, proof upon demonstration, and demonstration upon proof, have been advanced to cope with an unmitigated nuisance; and its continuance proves that it is not due to a general ignorance and thoughtlessness (else would it have gone from us) but that it is due to a universal recognition of the advantages of humbug. But with such an example as that set by Baron SUYEMATSU in his letter to the *Times* of Nov. 18, let us approach the missionary nuisance once more in something like to the spirit which made him say, "I feel that the risk I incur of giving offence is comparatively a trifling thing, when compared with the good that may follow an impartial ventilation of this truly important matter." Unhappily, the mischief lies in the failure to reach a mutual standard of importance. There are those who believe the life to come so important that it justifies the overlooking of practices that tend to make this life unbearable. It is not so, these we must appeal; but to the people who can realise that to-day is a bit of eternity, and that it is worth while preventing those who are over anxious about to-morrow from spoiling our to-day with their intolerable and intolerant impertinences. Baron SUYEMATSU, striving for well-authenticated accounts of the causes of certain features of the recent

riots in Tokyo, quotes the Rev. JULIUS SOPER, a missionary who, after investigations, said, "The preaching of the young men from the Gospel Band (of which the Rev. J. NAKADA is one of the leaders) at this time of intense excitement was the occasion of this outburst of feeling against these places of Christian worship, and not the direct cause. It is unfortunate that preaching was carried on in the Asakusa Park, one of the strongest Buddhist sections of the city, at this time." Just how "unfortunate" it may be gathered when Baron SUYEMATSU points out that "what is here described as 'Asakusa Park' consists in reality of the *precincts* of a large and famous Buddhist temple, somewhat similar to the Canterbury Cathedral and its courtyard, only somewhat larger." The Rev.

Mr. SOPER—we are not responsible for the rev. gentleman's name—admitted that it was unfortunate his young men should have chosen such a venue just at that time; we presume that were Buddhist or Shinto propagandists to choose the courtyard of Canterbury Cathedral at any time for their demonstrations it would be resented as a little more than "unfortunate." Baron SUYEMATSU says the occasional—he will not say frequent—in-discretion of the missionaries is greatly deplored by thoughtful persons in Japan. So it is in China; and it is now high time that steps were taken in the direction of something more practical than mere deplored. But to stick to this dignified Japanese remonstrance, which we hail as timely and amply justified—no one will deny that "persons who may be in the position of uninvited guests in another man's house are bound to exercise the utmost tact and seek by every means in their power to prevent any misunderstanding." Baron SUYEMATSU is afraid "there are many who do not, and never will," and he dreads possibilities. He mentions the case of an English clergyman who wrote to him "that there was to be found in England a collection of sacred writings collectively called 'The Bible,' and that its English was classical and good, and that, if I should like it, he would make me a present of a copy." He comments, "If it is possible for an educated person to form an idea of this sort in the very heart of the civilized world, one may well be tempted to speculate on what goes on far away in the distant Orient between over-zealous missionaries and people of the common class." There was also the case of two young Christians who invaded the garden of his villa at Karuizawa, a favourite idling place for missionaries in the hot weather, and who, when spoken to by him about cutting down green branches from his favourite trees, were "not in the least sorry or ashamed" but most arrogantly told him the branches were called for the defence.

The Hon. Dr. Ho Kai, addressing the jury, said that at first sight the case might appear to have been one of foul murder, but the prosecution had not presented the case so as to exclude the possibility of accidental death. Speaking of their visit to the hut that morning he argued that there were no evidences of preparation for the crime there, that the place was small, and that people on the other side could look through the crevices. All that showed there was no deliberate attempt to commit murder, and furthermore there was no evidence of a scuffle. No one would be so stupid as to plan a murder in such a confined place, while the presence of so many boats and people in the neighbourhood was against any theory of deliberate planning. He contended that robbery was not the motive for the crime, because the deceased gave his money to the commanders of the steamer to keep for him, and a ring which he had was not taken away; neither was hate the motive for the crime, as all the men were on good terms.

The jury were absent for one hour and three-quarters and returned a unanimous verdict of NOT GUILTY and the three prisoners were discharged.

## IN SUMMARY JURISDICTION.

BEFORE MR. A. G. WISE (PUISNE JUDGE).

## CLAIM FOR BENT.

In the action in which the Robinson Piano Company sued H. Price, lately carrying on business as a wine and spirit merchant at 12 Queen's Road Central, under the style of H. Price and Co., to recover the sum of \$375 being one month's rent of the eastern part of the ground floor of Connaught House, judgment was given for defendant with costs.

## CORRESPONDENCE.

TO THE EDITOR OF THE "DAILY PRESS."

Canton, December 18th, 1905.

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## THE ELECTION.

## MR. POLLACK HEADS THE POLL.

At the City Hall yesterday afternoon the three candidates for the prospective vacant seat in the Legislative Council, caused by the retirement at the end of the year of Sir Paul Chater, addressed the unofficial Justices of the Peace. They were Messrs. H. E. Pollock, K.C., H. W. Slade and E. A. Hewett.

Mr. F. A. HAZELAND presided over a large attendance which included the following:—Messrs. A. F. Areulie, F. A. Arjanee, A. Babington, G. M. Bain, H. E. Banji, J. Barton, J. M. Beck, H. W. Bird, D. E. Brown, H. T. Butterworth, Chas. A. Fook, Sir Paul Chater, Kt., C.M.G., Chan Sin-ki, Duzen Clark, D. W. Cradlock, W. A. Gruickshank, W. Danby, W. H. T. Davis, A. Denison, A. Forbes, Fung Wa Chuen, W. H. Gaskell, L. Gibbs, F. D. Goldsack, A. G. Gordon, C. H. Grace, C. S. Gubay, S. Hancock, G. M. Harston, E. A. Hewett, Ho Fock, Hon. Dr. Ho Kai, C.M.G., A. S. Hooper, T. F. Hough, Ho Tuan-tsun, E. J. Hughes, Henry Humphreys, Rev. F. T. Johnson, E. S. Kandoorie, Lau Chin-Pak, Lau Wai-Chuen, D. K. Law, L. S. Lewis, Alex. Mackenzie, C. W. May, E. W. Mitchell, H. N. Mody, A. G. Morris, G. C. Moxon, J. Orangy, E. Osborne, G. W. F. Playfair, H. E. Pollock, K.C., W. H. Potts, E. A. Ram, A. H. Rennie, A. Rumjain, E. W. Rutter, W. J. Saunders, C. R. Scott, Hon. Mr. R. Shaw, A. H. Skelton, H. A. W. Slade, M. W. Slade, J. R. M. Smith, Dr. F. O. Stedman, Hon. Mr. Gershon Stewart, E. Stewart, A. G. Stokes, Dr. J. H. Swan, H. E. Tomkins, G. L. Tomlin, Tseng Sz Kai, A. Turner, Un Iai Chua, J. Y. V. Vernon Wahl, Leen, Hon. Mr. Wei Yuk, H. W. White, J. E. K. Whittall, W. H. Wickham, F. C. Wilford, Wong Kam Fuk and A. G. Wood.

The CHAIRMAN at the outset explained the purpose for which the meeting was called, and indicated the procedure to be followed. He had received three nominations—Mr. E. A. Hewett, proposed by Mr. A. G. Wood, seconded by Mr. E. W. Mitchell; Mr. H. E. Pollock, proposed by the Hon. Mr. Gershon Stewart, seconded by Mr. Playfair; Mr. H. W. Slade, proposed by Sir Paul Chater, seconded by Mr. J. R. M. Smith; and asked if there were any other nominations.

There being none forthcoming, the CHAIRMAN said he would be glad if the three candidates would agree as to the order in which they should speak.

Mr. HEWETT remarked that they had a rule in the Chamber of Commerce that the candidates should address the meeting in the order that their nominations had been received.

Mr. POLLACK did not think that rule was binding on the meeting, and he proposed that he should address the meeting last.

The Hon. MR. GERSHON STEWART seconded. The vote was being taken when it was intimated that the other two candidates were agreed that Mr. Pollock should speak last.

Mr. Slade then agreed to speak first.

Sir PAUL CHATER, on rising from his seat was greeted with loud applause. In proposing Mr. Slade, he said:—Gentlemen.—We are here to-day to elect a representative from the Justices of the Peace to the Legislative Council of this Colony, and in proposing to you, as I have now the pleasure to do, Mr. H. A. W. Slade, I feel that no words from me are necessary to recommend him to your suffrages, since he is well known to you, having been a resident of the Colony for the past seventeen years as a member, and for some years past as the head, of one of the oldest established firms in the Colony. Mr. Slade is largely interested in the commercial welfare of the Colony, and has an extended experience therein, holding as he does a seat on the directorate of some of our leading public companies; he is chairman of the Hongkong and Shanghai Bank and the Union Insurance Society of Canton, and a member of committee of the Chamber of Commerce. He is, moreover, a resident in the true sense of the word not liable at a moment's notice to be transferred to other scenes; the life of Hongkong is his life; its welfare his welfare; and I feel sure that if you elect him you will have elected one who can safely be trusted to work for the interest of the Colony with untiring zeal and ability. I beg therefore to propose to you Mr. H. A. W. Slade (applause).

Mr. SMITH said he was sure all had heard with great regret that Sir Paul Chater had decided to retire from the Council. Had he allowed himself to be persuaded to stand again, the speaker was certain that he would have been returned with acclamation, for he had proved himself right worthy of the honour and distinction, and had been a most able, energetic and popular representative, not only of the Justices of the Peace, but of the whole community. Instead of seeking re-election, however, he had proposed Mr. H. W. Slade to fill the vacancy, and had shown in a very convincing way that he could not have put forward a more suitable successor. Not only was Mr. Slade a resident of many years' standing, but his whole future business interests were centred here, so that he was intimately concerned in all that affected the general welfare, prosperity and development of the Colony. He knew of none amongst them of whom it could be more truly said, that the interests—present and future—of the Colony were his interests; neither did he know anyone in a better position to follow a free and independent course in the Council Chamber, and, if elected, he would apply himself to public affairs in an earnest, vigorous and conscientious spirit. He was the sort of man they wanted, and the speaker hoped they would send him there.

Mr. SLADE said that when Sir Paul Chater approached him sometime back and told him he did not intend to seek re-election, and asked the speaker if he would be willing to be nominated, he felt very diffident about it, but Sir Paul represented the case to him, and on speaking to one or two other gentlemen, the impression was that it was a very desirable thing that the new representative should, if possible, be a person in a similar position to himself, namely, a business man. For that reason he was before the electors. It seemed to him that every one, when he considered a particular question, did so from his own standpoint, a lawyer looking at it from a legal point of view, and the property owner from the point of view as to whether the value of property would be affected. As head of a firm here, his interests were entirely coincident with the interest of all other merchants, and the knowledge he had gained in business would enable him to consider how proposals were likely to affect the commercial prosperity of the Colony. Again, as a director of certain banks here, other interests were brought closely under his notice, such as the important question of property. All matters which in any way affected the values and interests of property, from the experience he had gained in his connection with public companies, he could give an opinion on. As regards the Colony's shipping interests, there again he had experience which would enable him to look at it from a proper point of view, both in his own business and as Lloyd's agent here. He had no connection outside the Colony which would in any way bias his opinion. On the question of finance he would be able to give a better opinion than the others, as a merchant's opinion was likely to be of most value, and he thought he would be better able to consider how a proposal should be brought forward which was likely to affect the prosperity of the Colony. He could assure the electors that if they elected him, his best efforts would be used to furthering their interests in the Council.

Mr. WOOD had much pleasure in proposing Mr. E. A. Hewett. He had been sufficiently long and well known to the electors for them to know his qualifications.

Mr. MITCHELL seconded the proposal. He did not think a better man could be found to represent them.

Mr. HEWETT said he would like in the first place to cordially endorse, as he was sure they already had done, the great regret the Justices of the Peace of this Colony experienced by the retirement of Sir Paul Chater after so many years representing that important body (applause). It was usual on such an occasion as that for the candidate who came before them to make some remarks as to his qualifications, and to state his views. He had had the audacity to offer himself as a candidate because he believed that his past experience had fitted him for the important position which he sought. It was 21 years since he had first arrived in the colony, and during that period he had been a resident here for ten years. With the exception of two typhus visits home, he had spent the rest of that time in China or Japan. But having regard to Hongkong as his destination he had always kept well in touch with all that was passing here. He did not wish to wave a red rag before them—he did not wish to suggest they were bull—but he felt he must refer to the five years' musical experience which he had had in Shanghai, and he should perhaps remind them of what that experience amounted to. It meant the control of a large police force of 800, a large volunteer force, a volunteer fire brigade, a municipal gaol, a complete works department, sanitary and medical departments, a form of regulations which were practically the equivalent of our local ordinances, and all questions, great and small, including also extensive finance, which must relate to an important community representing 8,000 Europeans and 400,000 Chinese. For two years he had been on the Hongkong Sanitary Board, and for many years he had been closely connected with educational establishments, both here and elsewhere. He had served on the governing board of Queen's College and on the board of the Diocesan School. Moreover he had been closely connected with the various Chambers of Commerce in the leading ports of this part of the world, and he considered that he was fairly entitled to assert that he had obtained a very varied and extensive experience which must be of very great use in whatever position he occupied. In his own business, and in his association with the Chamber of Commerce, it had been his business to make himself acquainted with all questions affecting the interests of Hongkong; such as the Kowloon railway, the fiscal question, the water-supply, the sanitary question and the numberless questions which must arise in such an important community as this. With regard to the fiscal question he had been fortunate when in his recent visit home to express what he believed to be the view of the colony on that subject. It had been urged that he did not properly represent Hongkong, but he failed to understand how such a suggestion could apply to him. It was 61 years since the P. and O. Company first dispatched a steamer to Hongkong, and so long as that company existed, so long must their interests be closely bound up with Hongkong, whose growing importance was an everyday occurrence. For nearly 30 years he had been in the employ of the P. and O., and he intended—with luck to serve them for another 30 years. If it were ventured to him, he hoped in that considerable period to devote his attention to promoting the interests of Hongkong, whether he happened to be resident here or not (cheers). He had heard a rumour the other day to the effect that he was going home, but he wished them to understand that

were that true he would not appear before them that day. He had only just returned from a visit home, and he hoped to spend many days in Hongkong before going home. They were all busy men, and their first thoughts were taken up by their business. He possibly had as much leisure as most men, and he could assure them that public work being his hobby, he gladly seized any opportunity of working for what he believed to be the public good. That being so, if they did him the honour to elect him as their representative to the Legislative Council, he could assure them that his time and strenuous endeavours would be devoted to the furtherance of the interests which he was sure they all had at heart (applause). He came before them as an entirely independent candidate. He had actually the temerity to come forward on his own initiative. As he had said, it had always been his desire to work for the public good. The role he had set before himself in public positions which he had filled, was to do, without fear or favour, the greatest good for the greatest number (applause). He did not seek that position for the honour which it conferred, but he came forward honestly believing that he was qualified to fill it. If they elected him he would do what he believed to be his duty in looking after their interests to the full (cheers).

The Hon. Mr. GERSHON STEWART said his duty that day sat lightly on him, as the candidate whom he recommended them to elect to the position, Mr. H. E. Pollock, was already well and favourably known to them (applause). The interest which had been evinced in the election and the attendance there that day were sufficient answer to those who held the opinion that they were so engrossed in the pursuit of money or the pursuit of pleasure that they had no time to take any interest in their public affairs when they had the opportunity of so doing (applause). Three gentlemen had offered themselves for election that day, all of high character and recognised ability, but as it was impossible for three men to occupy one seat the invidious process of making a selection was forced on those present. He thought they owed a debt of gratitude to the three gentlemen for their public spirit in coming forward (applause). He felt sure he expressed their views when he said that the defeated would share with the victor, whoever he might be, the respect and esteem of their fellow citizens (cheers). It was not for him, situated as he was, to enlarge on the sterling qualities of the two gentlemen towards whom he was in temporary opposition; but to enlarge upon the good points of the candidate whose claims he advocated. Mr. Pollock's record was well-known to all in the Colony, and his work would speak for itself. He was a recognised authority on the Sanitary Board, and he had already had several years' experience on the Legislative Council. He was for a number of years acting Attorney General, and as the temporary representative of the Chamber of Commerce, and he was quite sure from his previous experience of them, when he had the honour of being their representative on the Council, such advice would at all times be most freely offered. He would next pass a few remarks on certain subjects which should be pressed home upon the Government and the Council. In the first place it seemed to him that there was a necessity for increased vigour in the prosecution of public works (cheer, hear). The completion of the new Post Office was urgently required; so also was the increase to the water storage (applause). Another point which required attention was the question of surfacing of roads; he was quite sure no one was satisfied with their condition when the weather was anyway moist. He would also direct attention, if elected, to the necessity for increase of the efficiency of fire extinguishing appliances, and would urge that in an arrangement should be come to by which this Colony, when the number of cases of plague drops, should be declared to be no longer infected (cheer, hear). Another thing urgently required was the provision of a new and much larger typhoon shelter. All knew what occurred directly the red signal was hoisted; Chinese sampans, junks and cargo boats rushed into the far too limited accommodation at Causeway Bay for fear of being crowded out, and the whole of the shipping was a standstill. Such a matter required to be urgently remedied. They would have perhaps noticed that quite recently the Government had abolished the trust for the re-occupation of insanitary properties. A scheme was inaugurated by Mr. May some time ago for laying aside so much of the revenue for this purpose. He considered it most proper that that trust should be continued, and was wholly opposed to the action of the Government in abolishing it. There should not be the smallest difficulty in procuring the necessary money for such an improvement. Another very important point which to a certain extent was connected with sanitation, was the question of the Government instructing Chinese tenants in this Colony in the principles of sanitation and cleanliness in their homes. A great deal was heard of the prosecutions of tenants for breaches of the law, but surely it was better to bring home to them the importance of cleanliness rather than bringing such prosecutions, the importance of which they could not appreciate. There was no use in saying that a back courtyard was to be opened up to the sky if the tenant did not understand the necessity of keeping it open. With reference to the Kowloon-Canton railway, if elected he would, to the best of his power, urge the speedy construction of that much-needed work; because he felt convinced that it was necessary that we should be in touch with the markets of China if this Colony is to be safe and secure the proud and eminent position which it now holds. If the electors should honour him with their confidence, he purposed at all times to promote the public interests of the Colony (applause).

The ballot was then proceeded with, the result being as under:—

Mr. H. E. Pollock	40 votes
Mr. H. W. Slade	23 votes
Mr. E. A. Hewett	20 votes

Mr. Pollock briefly returned thanks, and the voters departed.

## LATEST STEAMER MOVEMENTS.

The M.M. str. *Polynesian*, with the next French mail, will leave Saigon on Saturday, the 23rd inst. at 9 a.m. for this port.

The L.G.M. str. *Sachsen*, which left here on the 22nd ult. at noon, arrived at Geneva on Tuesday at 8 p.m.

The str. *Monica* sailed from Shanghai yesterday, and is due here on the 24th inst.

The E. G. str. *Siberian* left Singapore on Tuesday, 8 a.m. and may be expected here on Wednesday, the 27th inst.

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By our French Dressmaker, whose work has often been eulogised by French Journals.  
Hongkong, 14th December, 1905.

[1886]

## DOCK CHARGES AT SINGAPORE.

The following figures from Singapore may afford interesting comparisons to local shippers:

Discharging transhipment cargo and reshipping same at the wharf:—

Inward stevedorage per ton ... \$0.30  
Wharfage inward per ton ... 0.55  
Wharfage outward per ton ... 0.45  
Outward stevedorage per ton ... 0.30

\$1.60 per ton

from time cargo has been removed from ship's hold till same has been re-shipped.

Discharging transhipment cargo to lighters in the roads:—

Inward stevedorage per ton ... \$0.20  
Lighterage per ton ... 0.49—0.60  
Outward stevedorage per ton ... 0.20

\$0.80—\$1.00

From the above it will be seen that the charges by Tanjong Pagar are close on 100 per cent. above the cost the same work can be done for in the roads.

If the cargo is destined for a Singapore merchant and has to be delivered into Singapore itself, the expenses will work out as follows:—

Ship's expenses at T. P. Consignee's expenses.

Stevedorage ... \$0.30 Rec. hoss. & tending del.

Wharfage inward 0.55 per ton 0.20—1

Lighterage per ton 0.40 0.60 etc. ... \$0.25—35

per ton \$0.85 per ton \$0.25—35

per ton \$1.00 to \$1.80

To the Consignee expenses come another 3 cents for storing in Godown, etc., discharging into lighters in the roads.

Ship's expenses. Consignee's expenses.

Stevedorage per ton ... \$0.20 Rec. from lighters.

ton 0.40 0.60 etc. ... \$0.25—35

per ton \$0.60—80 per ton \$0.25—35

per ton \$1.00 to \$1.80

To the Consignee expenses come another 3 cents for storing in Godown, etc., discharging into lighters in the roads.

Washington, December 15.—The bids handed in for the construction of railroads in the Philippine Islands, were opened at the War Department this morning at 9 o'clock, in the presence of Secretary of War Taft, Governor General Wright, Colonel Edwards of the Bureau of Indian Affairs, Commissioner Forbes and representatives of the competing bidders. Three big bids were received, for the construction of the whole or part of the lines proposed. While no official announcement has been made, the best bid received is no doubt, that of the Speyer Syndicate, who already own a controlling interest in the Manila and Dagupan railroad. Their offer is to build altogether 425 miles, and this they are willing to do without requiring any guarantee from the government of interest on their investment. By the act of Congress passed last session the Commission was authorized to offer to guarantee interest at not exceeding 4 per cent, for not over 30 years, on the actual cost of the construction. The Speyer Syndicate has sufficient faith in the future of the Islands to waive this guarantee entirely, and to invest their money expecting a sufficient return from the operation of the lines.

Their bid excepts from the lines planned for those in Samar and Leyte, where they do not care to bid at present on account of their disturbed conditions in the past.

NO REDRESS AT INTERNATIONAL LAW.

In some remarks last year, we anticipated a recent announcement by the Japanese Government. There would seem to be no redress for the men whose ships and other property were seized and destroyed by the Russians during the war. The Japan Shippers' Association recently presented a petition to the Government regarding the compensation for loss sustained by the parties whose property was destroyed by the Russians, contrary to the usages of the law of nations. The views of the Japanese authorities in this matter, as published in the Press, are that legally speaking Russia must be held responsible for loss resulting from unlawful acts on her part. But the principles embodied in international law have no such compulsory power as the laws of a country, and therefore if the Power interested fails to voluntarily discharge its obligations nobody can compel it to do so. Moreover, no stipulations are made in the Treaty of Peace as to compensation of like nature, and therefore it would be very difficult to open negotiations afresh with Russia in this connection. According to precedent in Europe, the Government to which the aggrieved parties belong pays some solatium to the latter in such cases, but even this would be impossible at present, as the Government has no fund from which to make the necessary disbursement.

## A STOCK UNEQUALLED IN THE COLONY.

## HIRE OR CREDIT.

Hongkong, 8th December, 1905. [2706]

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## NEW ADVERTISEMENTS

BEKANNTMACHUNG.

DIE Bekanntmachungen aus dem diesseitigen Handelsregister, sowie anderes gesetzlich vorgeschriebene Veröffentlichen werden im Jahre 1905 durch den OSTASIATISCHEN LLOYD und die "HONGKONG DAILY PRESS" erfolgen.

Swatow, den 15. December 1905.

KAISERLICH DEUTSCHES KONSULAT.

2839 THE BANK OF TAIWAN, LIMITED.

ON and after WEDNESDAY, the 27th instant, the business of this Bank will be carried on in their NEW OFFICE on the Ground Floor, PRINCES' BUILDINGS, No. 3, Des Voeux Road, Hongkong, 22nd December, 1905. 2830

## NOTICE.

THE MANUFACTURERS' LIFE INSURANCE COMPANY OF TORONTO, CANADA.

MESSRS. DARTLEY &amp; CO. have CEASED to ACT as SUB-AGENTS for the above Company.

H. H. HORSEY,

General Manager for Eastern Asia.

Hongkong, 22nd December, 1905. [2881]

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Hongkong, 22nd December, 1905. 2833

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An Invoice of TOYS with SWEETS and

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DESSERT SETS and TOILET SETS.

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Hongkong, 22nd December, 1905. 2841

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Hongkong, 21st December, 1905. [2866]

## CHRISTMAS HOLIDAYS.

IN accordance with the provisions of Ordinance No. 6 of 1875 the EXCHANGE BANKS will be CLOSED for the transaction of Public Business on MONDAY and TUESDAY, the 25th and 26th instant respectively.

Hongkong, 26th December, 1905. 2867

## CHRISTMAS PRESENTS.

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## SANITARY BOARD OFFICE,

Hongkong.

To the OWNERS OF DOMESTIC BUILDINGS.

TAKE NOTICE that under No. 5 of the DOMESTIC CLEANLINESS and VENTILATION BY-LAWS (as amended), every domestic building or part of such building within the Western Division of the City of Victoria, occupied by members of more than one family must be CLEANSED and LIQUEWASHED THROUGHBOUT by the owner during the months of November and December.

N.B.—The word "thoroughbouth" used in this notice means that the houses should be lime-washed in respect of all the walls of each room and staircase, all cubic partitions—stair casings and stair linings, all ceilings and the undersides of roofs, both in main buildings, offices and servants' quarters and inclusive of verandahs.

The back yard should have its containing walls lime-washed up to the 1-lvel of the first floor.

Carved, painted or polished woodwork in good condition, however, need not be lime-washed but must be cleaned.

The Western Division of the City lies to the West of Tank Lane and Cleverly Street.

G. A. WOODCOCK.

Secretary.

Dated this 2nd day of December, 1905. [2846]

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22ND DECEMBER, 1905.

## "VAUDEVILLE."

TO-MORROW EVENING (SATURDAY)

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THE XMAS PANTOMIME,

SINBAD THE SAILOR.

## POPUPAR PRICES.

Box Plan at ROBINSON PIANO CO.

Hongkong, 18th December, 1905. [2830]

## INTIMATIONS



ZETLAND LODGE, NO. 525, E.C.

A REGULAR MEETING of ZETLAND LODGE will be held at the FREE-MASONS' HALL, on WEDNESDAY, the 27th DECEMBER, at 5.30 p.m. precisely. Visiting Brothers are cordially invited to attend. Hongkong, 21st December, 1905. [2874]

ST. GEORGE'S BALL, 1906.

SUBSCRIBERS to ST. GEORGE'S BALL are requested to send in to the undersigned, as soon as possible, the names of the guests whom they intend to invite. The subscription of \$2 covers one guest. The subscription for each additional guest will be \$5. The term "GUEST" includes a married couple.

No resident ENGINERMAN or WELSHMAN of these nationalities, may be invited.

P. P. J. WODEHOUSE,

Secretary to the

Invitation Committee.

Hongkong, 18th December, 1905. [2854]

THE EQUITABLE LIFE ASSURANCE SOCIETY OF THE UNITED STATES.

I HAVE this day APPOINTED Messrs. SHEWAN, TOWES & CO. GENERAL MANAGERS for Hongkong for the above Society, in the place of Mr. F. KLINE, whose engagement has been terminated.

J. T. HAMILTON,

General Manager for the East.

Hongkong, 15th November, 1905. 2573

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HEAD OFFICE: MOORATE STREET, LONDON

I HAVE this day APPOINTED Messrs. SHEWAN, TOWES & CO. AGENTS for the above Corporation, in place of Mr. F. KLINE, whose engagement has been terminated.

J. T. HAMILTON,

Manager for the East.

Hongkong, 15th November, 1905. 2574

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Hongkong, 15th December, 1905. [2832]

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Hongkong, 21st September, 1905. 2174

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Hongkong, 4th September, 1905. [2056]

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THE Undersigned, having been appointed AGENTS for the above Company, are prepared to ACCEPT RISKS against FIRE at Current Rates.

REUTER, BICKELMANN &amp; CO.,

Agents.

Hongkong, 21st April, 1897. 181

AUCTION

PUBLIC AUCTION.

PARTICULARS and CONDITIONS of the Letting by Public Auction Sale, to be held on WEDNESDAY, the 27th day of December, 1905, at 3 P.M., at the Offices of the Public Works Department, by Order of His Excellency the Governor, on Lot of Crown Land at Deep Water Bay in the Colony of Hongkong, for a term of 5 years commencing from 22nd day of June, 1896. 2856

PARTICULARS OF THE LOT.

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Lot No. (24)

Locality

Boundary Measurements

Sq. ft.

Annual Rent

Upset Price

feet feet feet feet

\$ \$

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BOARD OF DIRECTORS, BERLIN.BRANCHES:  
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## THE BANK OF TAIWAN LIMITED

(INCORPORATED BY SPECIAL IMPERIAL  
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CAPITAL SUBSCRIBED ..... Yen 5,000,000

CAPITAL PAID-UP ..... 2,500,000

HEAD OFFICE: TAIPEH, FORMOSA.

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Amoy Kobe Tainan  
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4, QUEEN'S ROAD.Interest allowed on Current Account.  
Deposits received on terms which may be learnt  
on application.S. SHIGENAGA, Manager,  
Hongkong, 1st November, 1905. (2478)INTERNATIONAL BANKING  
CORPORATION.Fiscal Agents of the United States in China  
the Philippine Islands and the  
Republic of Panama.

## CAPITAL AND SURPLUS

AUTHORISED ..... Gold \$10,000,000

CAPITAL PAID UP ..... Gold \$3,250,000

RESERVE FUND ..... Gold \$3,250,000

HEAD OFFICE: NEW YORK.

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Branches and Agents all over the World.

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NATIONAL PROVINCIAL BANK OF ENGLAND,  
LIMITED,UNION OF LONDON AND SMITH'S BANK,  
LIMITED,

## BRITISH LINEN COMPANY BANK

The Corporation transacts every description  
of Banking and Exchange business, receives  
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Deposits at the following rates:—

For 12 months 4% per cent. per annum.

6 " 3 " " "

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H. PINCKNEY,  
Manager.9, Queen's Road, Central,  
Hongkong, 20th September, 1905. 2.01

## HONGKONG SAVINGS BANK.

THE Business of the above Bank is cond-  
ucted by the HONGKONG AND SHANG-  
HAI BANKING CORPORATION. Books  
may be obtained on application.INTEREST on deposits is allowed at 3,  
PER CENT. per annum.Depositors may transfer at their option  
balances of \$100 or more to the HONGKONG AND  
SHANGHAI BANK to be placed or FIXED  
DEPOSIT AT 4 PER CENT. per annum.For the HONGKONG AND SHANGHAI  
BANKING CORPORATION.J. E. M. SMITH,  
Chief Manager.

Hongkong, 1st May, 1905. 2.02

THE YOKOHAMA SPECIE BANK  
LIMITED.

ESTABLISHED 1880.

CAPITAL SUBSCRIBED ... Yen 24,000,000

CAPITAL PAID-UP ..... 18,000,000

CAPITAL UNCALLED ..... 6,000,000

RESERVE FUND ..... 9,940,000

HEAD OFFICE—YOKOHAMA.

BRANCHES AND AGENCIES.

Tokyo Kobe Nagasaki

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HONGKONG—INTEREST ALLOWED.

On Current Account at the rate of 2 per cent  
per annum on the daily balance.

On Fixed Deposits for 12 months 5% per annum.

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TAKEO TAKAMICHI,  
Manager.

Hongkong, 22nd May, 1905. 27

THE CHARTERED BANK OF INDIA  
AUSTRALIA AND CHINA.

INCORPORATED BY ROYAL CHARTER, 1853

HEAD OFFICE—LONDON.

CAPITAL PAID-UP ..... £200,000

RESERVE LIABILITY OF SHARE-  
HOLDERS ..... £200,000

RESERVE FUND ..... £275,000

INTEREST allowed on Current Account at  
the rate of 2% per annum on the daily balance.

On Fixed Deposits for 12 months 4% per cent.

6 " 3 " "

3 " 2 " "

T. P. COCHRANE,  
Manager.

Hongkong, 18th May, 1905. 29

THE GOVERNMENT TOBACCO  
MONOPOLY IN JAPAN.

## SOME ACCOUNT OF ITS WORKING AND PROFITS.

The present Tobacco Monopoly Law was  
brought into operation on July 1st, 1904.  
Taxation of tobacco had existed since 1876, but  
to meet the financial needs resulting from the  
war with China in 1894-5 the form of income  
from the taxation of tobacco was changed, and  
the Leaf Tobacco Monopoly Law was established  
and put into effect in January, 1903. The Leaf  
Tobacco Monopoly Law was improved year by  
year, and the profit accruing therefrom  
increased annually. Such a result may almost  
be said to have proved the complete success  
of the Leaf Tobacco Monopoly system; but the  
regimes under that system being dependent  
upon the amount of sale of leaf tobacco, which was  
ever increasing, the market condition of leaf tobacco  
had a direct effect upon the amount of Government  
sale which, being always an unfixed quantity,  
consequently made the Government revenue  
variable. The licensed area under cultivation  
also kept altering and changes took place  
yearly in the tobacco-growing districts, and  
accordingly after a careful consideration of the  
systems of tobacco monopoly adopted in Europe  
and America, the Tobacco Manufacture Monopoly  
system was brought into operation with the  
object of remedying the defects of the Leaf  
Tobacco Monopoly and of increasing the State  
revenue. Accordingly, when the Imperial  
Diet was convened for a special session in  
March, 1904, the Government presented a Bill  
relating to the Tobacco Manufacture Monopoly  
and obtained its approval thereof. Under this  
Bill a total sum not exceeding 9,000,000 yen  
was appropriated for indemnifying those  
engaged in the industry.With the object of leaving nothing untried  
to ensure the effectual operation of the Monopoly  
Law, the Government specially established the  
Temporary Tobacco Manufacture Preparation  
Bureau for taking charge of all temporary business  
arising from the revision of the Monopoly  
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Cut tobacco is manufactured in six brands.

The tobacco is, following the custom which  
prevailed under the old system, sold in packages  
of 10, 20, and 40 monte.The guiding principle and method of  
manufacture being identical in the case of cut  
tobacco with those in the case of cigarettes,  
there is no need to repeat them here.From May, 1903, five descriptions of cigars  
have been manufactured from the Manila leaf  
and put on sale. The manufacturer has given  
good results, and it will be possible to produce  
these cigars at a less cost than the imported  
articles. It is believed that their manufacture  
and sale will show a great increase in future.The localities where the manufacturers are at  
present situated, it must be admitted, are consider-  
able, the extent of the Empire, the uneven  
distribution, and the distances which intervene  
between the places of sale and delivery caused  
no little inconvenience. For this reason when  
the Monopoly first came into operation,  
tobacco storerooms were set up at Seoul and  
ten other Places. Their districts of  
sale were fixed, and all wholesale dealers  
were made to belong to the storehouse of  
their district and make their purchases there-  
from. When on April 1, 1905, upon the  
completion of the preparations of the second  
stage, cut tobacco began to be sold, it was found  
that the existing storehouses were still unable  
without inconvenience to meet the general  
demand; and they were, therefore, increased by  
fourteen, and at the same time re-named  
Tobacco Sales Offices.The Government fixed upon the system of  
employing wholesale and retail dealers in tobacco as  
its organs of sale.Under this system, every wholesale dealer  
belongs to the manufacturer or sale office of the  
already fixed district, and after making purchases  
therefrom sells them to the retail dealer,  
who in turn sells to the general public.The Government adopted the fixed-price  
system, under which the manufacturer or sale  
office first sells to the wholesale dealer at a fixed  
discount and the latter sells at a profit less than  
this discount to the retail dealer, who sells to  
the public at the fixed price. Thus, the retail  
dealer's profit is the difference between the fixed  
price and the price at which he bought from the  
wholesale dealer. The wholesale dealer, in  
making his purchase from the Government,  
receives the cost of carriage at a fixed rate  
according to the length of the route from the  
office of delivery to his shop, so that the price  
of his purchase is not in any way affected by  
the distance it is traversed.The status of the wholesale and the retail  
dealer is acquired by Government nomination.The actual number of tobacco dealers on June  
1, 1905, was as follows:—

Wholesale dealers ..... 1,786

Retail dealers ..... 235,414

The net profit to be derived by the Govern-  
ment from the Tobacco Monopoly will, it is  
expected, steadily increase when the Mon-  
opoly is in complete working order. More-  
over, the operation of the Tobacco Monopoly is  
aimed to have further produced the following  
results:—

1. Uniformity of manufactured articles.

Whereas formerly the articles were so  
numerous and of such confusing variety that  
the purchaser was often at a loss which  
to select, the Government Monopoly has made  
them uniform, of a limited number of brands,  
and fixed in quality.

2. Fixity of price.

Wherever the lack of order and uni-  
formity the prices were also varied, with the  
result that they were very unfair, the Govern-  
ment Monopoly has, by selling generally at  
fixed prices or at a fixed rate of discount,  
enabled everyone to purchase with absolute  
confidence.3. Matters relating to the business of iron,  
wood, and miscellaneous works.4. Matters relating to the examination of the  
manufactured articles.As the quality of the finished article must  
depend upon the suitableness of the raw material,  
the raw material, that is, leaf tobacco, is the  
foremost pre-requisite; and accordingly the  
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March, 1903, and experiments were made in  
plots not exceeding two mu in the compounds  
of monopoly branch-bureaux and branch  
offices as are always kept open. And in  
December, 1904, the Hatano Tobacco Experi-  
mental Station was established in the town of  
Hatano for the purpose of studying various  
matters relating to the raw material.5. Matters relating to drawings, engravings,  
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boilers, steam-engines, and electric lighting  
plants.

19. Matters

## SHIPPING.

## ARRIVALS.

ANPING, Chinese steamer, 21st December, from Canton.  
CHINOT, British str., 1,459, J. McD. Howie, 21st Dec., Australia 21st Nov., General Butterfield & Swire.  
ELITA NOSSACK, German str., 1,160, W. Lasson, 21st Dec., Chinkiang 15th Dec., Rice and General Siemens & Co.  
HAIMUN, British str., 636, A. J. Robson, 21st Dec., Swatow 29th December, General Douglas Lapraik & Co.  
KANU, British str., 21st December, from Canton.  
WAKAMATSU MARU, Japanese str., 2,774, Y. Ota, 21st Dec., Moji 16th Dec., Coal.  
H. U. Jeffries.  
YUNNAN, British str., 1,206, W. Miller, 21st Dec., Wuhan and Chinkiang 16th Dec., General Butterfield & Swire.

## CLEARANCES.

AT THE HARBOURMASTER'S OFFICE.  
21st December.  
Carl Menell, German str., for Rangoon.  
Eduard Nossack, German str., for Canton.  
Haimun, British str., for Swatow.  
Kanu, British str., for Hongkong.  
Yunnan, British str., for Canton.

## DEPARTURES.

21st December.  
ANDROMEDA, British owner, for Shanghai.  
CHOWTAI, German str., for Bangkok.  
GERD, Norwegian str., for Canton.  
HECTOR, British str., for London.  
HEWDIG MENZEL, German str., for Manchuria.  
JACOB DIERERICHSEN, Ger. str., for Fukien.  
JOHNGMOON, German str., for Shanghai.  
PROGRESS, Norwegian str., for Shanghai.  
SEASIDE, British str., for Amoy.  
WINGSA, British str., for Canton.

## SHIPMENT REPORTS.

The German str. *Elita Nossack* reports: A very strong N.E. monsoon, foggy in the Formosa Strait.  
The British str. *Chingyu* reports: Had fine weather to Manila; strong N.E. monsoon and heavy sea to arrival.

## VESSELS IN DOCK.

21st December.  
ABERDEEN DOCKS—Cranley, 2,010,000 DWT.—H. M. S. Otter, Eva, Paul, *Arus*, *Algoa*, Empress of China.  
COSMOPOLITAN DOCK—H. M. S. Bramble, H. M. S. Britomart.

## VESSELS ON THE BERTH

DOUGLAS STEAMSHIP COMPANY, LIMITED.

## FOR SWATOW.

THE Company's Steamship  
"HAIMUN," will be despatched for the above port TO DAY 22nd inst., at 10 A.M.  
For Freight or Passage, apply to  
DOUGLAS LAPRAIK & CO.,  
General Managers.  
Hongkong, 21st December, 1905. [2577]



AUSTRIAN LLOYD'S STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY.

STEAM TO SHANGHAI, YOKOHAMA AND KOBE.

THE Company's Steamship

"CHINA," Captain Tomanovich, will leave for the above places TO DAY, 22nd inst., at NOON.  
For Freight or Passage, apply to  
SANDER, WISLER & CO., Agents.

Princes Building, Hongkong, 14th December, 1905. [18]

## NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA.

FOR MARSEILLES, LONDON AND ANTWERP, VIA SINGAPORE, PENANG, COLOMBO, AND PORT SAID.

THE BUCKNALL LINE Steamship  
"MANICA," Captain Leslie, will be despatched as above on SUNDAY, the 24th inst., at NOON.  
For Freight, apply to

NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA, Agents.  
Hongkong, 18th December, 1905. [2533]

## "BEN" LINE OF STEAMERS.

FOR MARSEILLES AND LONDON.  
THE Steamship

"BENMOND," Captain Henderson, will be despatched as above on MONDAY, the 25th inst.  
For Freight or Passage, apply to

GIBE, LIVINGSTON & CO., Agents.  
Hongkong, 20th December, 1905. [2731]

COMPAGNIE DES MESSAGERIES MARITIMES

FOR SHANGHAI, KOBE AND YOKOHAMA.

THE Company's Steamship  
"POLYNESIEN," Captain Broc, will be despatched for the above port or about TUESDAY, 26th inst.  
For Freight or Passage, apply to

G. DE CHAMPEAUX, Agent.  
Hongkong, 19th December, 1905. [12]

REGULAR STEAMSHIP SERVICE TO NEW YORK.

VIA PORTS AND SUEZ CANAL (WITH LIBERTY TO CALL AT MALARAB COAST).

PROPOSED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG, 1905.  
"ATHOLL" .... 9th Jan.  
For Freight and further information, apply to  
DODWELL & CO. LTD., Agents.

Hongkong, 30th November, 1905. 2105-2135

MAP OF THE SIKIANG OR WEST RIVER.  
From HONGKONG to WUCHOWFU, Showing the Ports and Calling Places. Opened to Foreign Trade, 1897. Published at Daily Press Office. Price 25 Cents Cash. Hongkong, 1st April, 1897.

## VESSELS ADVERTISED AS LOADING

To ascertain the anchorage of any Vessel, the Harbour has been divided into Four Sections commencing from Green Island. Vessels anchoring nearest Kowloon are marked K, nearest Hongkong H, midway between Hongkong and Kowloon M, and those vessels berthed at the Kowloon Wharf K.W., together with the number denoting the section.

1. From Green Island to the Harbour Master's. 2. From Harbour Master's to Blake Pier. 3. From Blake Pier to Naval Yard. 4. From Naval Yard to East Point.

DESTINATION	OWNER'S NAME	FLAG & BIG	BERTH	CAPTAIN	FOR FREIGHT APPLY TO	TO BE DESPATCHED
LONDON, &c., VIA USUAL PORTS OF CALL	CHUSAN	Brit. str.	1 m.	H. W. Kenrick, R.N.R.	P. & O. S. N. Co.	On 30th inst., at Noon.
AMSTERDAM, LONDON & ANTWERP	TYDEUS	Brit. str.	1 m.		BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE	On 2nd Jan.
AMSTERDAM, LONDON & ANTWERP	IDOMENEUS	Brit. str.	1 m.		BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE	On 16th Jan.
AMSTERDAM, LONDON & ANTWERP	STENTOR	Brit. str.	1 m.		BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE	On 30th Jan.
AMSTERDAM, LONDON & ANTWERP	SAINTE BEDE	Brit. str.	1 m.		BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE	On 13th Feb.
AMSTERDAM, LONDON & ANTWERP	ANTENOR	Brit. str.	—		BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE	On 27th Feb.
AMSTERDAM, LONDON & ANTWERP	BENLOMOND	Brit. str.	—	Henderson	GIBB, LIVINGSTON & CO.	On 25th inst.
MARSEILLES & LONDON	MANICA	Brit. str.	—	Leslie	NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA	On 24th inst., at Noon.
MARSEILLES, &c., VIA PORTS OF CALL	ARMAND BEHIC	Frans. str.	—		MESSEAGERIES MARITIMES	On 24th inst., at 1 P.M.
BREMEN, VIA PORTS OF CALL	P. E. FRIEDRICH	Ger. str.	—		MELCHERS & CO.	On 3rd Jan. at Noon.
HAVRE & HAMBURG VIA STRAITS, &c.	NUBIA	Ger. str.	k. w.		HAMBURG-AMERIKA LINIE	On 24th inst.
HAVRE & HAMBURG VIA STRAITS, &c.	SITONIA	Ger. str.	k. w.		HAMBURG-AMERIKA LINIE	On 16th Jan.
HAVRE & HAMBURG VIA STRAITS, &c.	AMBEIA	Ger. str.	k. w.		HAMBURG-AMERIKA LINIE	On 25th Jan.
HAVRE & HAMBURG VIA STRAITS, &c.	BRIGAVIA	Ger. str.	k. w.		HAMBURG-AMERIKA LINIE	On 7th Feb.
HAVRE & HAMBURG VIA STRAITS, &c.	NIPPON	Ans. str.	1 m.		SANDER, WIELER & CO.	On 29th inst., at P.M.
HAVRE & HAMBURG VIA STRAITS, &c.	PARLING	Brit. str.	—		BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE	On 20th Feb.
HAVRE & HAMBURG VIA STRAITS, &c.	PATROCLES	Brit. str.	—		SEWAN, TOME & CO.	To-morrow, at 5 P.M.
HAVRE & HAMBURG VIA STRAITS, &c.	INDRANI	Brit. str.	—		ARENTHOLD, KARBERG & CO.	About 2nd Jan.
HAVRE & HAMBURG VIA STRAITS, &c.	COULDRON	Brit. str.	—		DODWELL & CO., LTD.	About 3rd Jan.
HAVRE & HAMBURG VIA STRAITS, &c.	ATHOLL	Brit. str.	—		STANDARD OIL CO.	About 15th Jan.
HAVRE & HAMBURG VIA STRAITS, &c.	HUDSON	Brit. str.	2 m.		CANADIAN PACIFIC R. CO.	On 10th Jan.
HAVRE & HAMBURG VIA STRAITS, &c.	ATHENIAN	Brit. str.	1 m.		CANADIAN PACIFIC R. CO.	On 24th Jan.
HAVRE & HAMBURG VIA STRAITS, &c.	LYRA	Brit. str.	—		DODWELL & CO., LIMITED	On 25th inst.
HAVRE & HAMBURG VIA STRAITS, &c.	TELEMACIUS	Brit. str.	—		BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE	On 27th inst., at Daylight.
HAVRE & HAMBURG VIA STRAITS, &c.	DAKOTA	Brit. str.	—		SEWAN, TOME & CO.	About 16th Jan.
HAVRE & HAMBURG VIA STRAITS, &c.	YOKOHAMA	Brit. str.	—		GIBB, LIVINGSTON & CO.	On 27th inst., at Noon.
HAVRE & HAMBURG VIA STRAITS, &c.	YOKOHAMA, MOJI & KOBE	Brit. str.	—		MELCHERS & CO.	On 25th inst.
HAVRE & HAMBURG VIA STRAITS, &c.	KOBE & NAGASAKI	Brit. str.	—		P. & O. S. N. CO.	A boat 26th inst.
HAVRE & HAMBURG VIA STRAITS, &c.	SHANGHAI	Brit. str.	—		BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE	To-day.
HAVRE & HAMBURG VIA STRAITS, &c.	TIJAPAN	Brit. str.	—		JAVA-CHINA-JAPAN LINIE	Quick despatch.
HAVRE & HAMBURG VIA STRAITS, &c.	CHINA	Brit. str.	—		SANDER, WIELER & CO.	To-day, at Noon.
HAVRE & HAMBURG VIA STRAITS, &c.	WAISHING	Brit. str.	—		JARDINE, MATHESON & CO.	To-day, at 4 P.M.
HAVRE & HAMBURG VIA STRAITS, &c.	PAKHOU	Brit. str.	—		BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE	To-morrow.
HAVRE & HAMBURG VIA STRAITS, &c.	YOCHOW	Brit. str.	—		MESSEAGERIES MARITIMES	About 26th inst.
HAVRE & HAMBURG VIA STRAITS, &c.	POLYNESIEN	Brit. str.	—		JARDINE, MATHESON & CO.	On 27th inst., at 3 P.M.
HAVRE & HAMBURG VIA STRAITS, &c.	KWONGSANG	Brit. str.	—		P. & O. S. N. CO.	About 30th inst.
HAVRE & HAMBURG VIA STRAITS, &c.	OCEANA	Brit. str.	—		YOKOHAMA	About 26th inst., at 10 A.M.
HAVRE & HAMBURG VIA STRAITS, &c.	ANPING MARU	Brit. str.	1 m.		MOJI AND KOBE	On 24th inst., at 10 A.M.
HAVRE & HAMBURG VIA STRAITS, &c.	DAIGI MARU	Brit. str.	—		CHUSAN	On 31st inst., at 10 A.M.
HAVRE & HAMBURG VIA STRAITS, &c.	DALIN MARU	Brit. str.	—		YOKOHAMA	On 27th inst., at 10 A.M.
HAVRE & HAMBURG VIA STRAITS, &c.	FRITHJOF	Brit. str.	2 h.		YOKOHAMA	To-day, at 10 A.M.
HAVRE & HAMBURG VIA STRAITS, &c.	HAIMUN	Brit. str.	—		YOKOHAMA	To-day, at 4 P.M.
HAVRE & HAMBURG VIA STRAITS, &c.	YUENSANG	Brit. str.	—		YOKOHAMA	To-day, at 5 P.M.
HAVRE & HAMBURG VIA STRAITS, &c.	MANILA	Brit. str.	—		YOKOHAMA	To-day, at Noon.
HAVRE & HAMBURG VIA STRAITS, &c.	ZAFIRO	Brit. str.	—		YOKOHAMA	On 27th inst.
HAVRE & HAMBURG VIA STRAITS, &c.	TAMING	Brit. str.	—		YOKOHAMA	On 28th inst., at 3 P.M.
HAVRE & HAMBURG VIA STRAITS, &c.	SUNGKANG	Brit. str.	—		YOKOHAMA	On 30th inst., at 3 P.M.
HAVRE & HAMBURG VIA STRAITS, &c.	LAISANG	Brit. str.	—		YOKOHAMA	
HAVRE & HAMBURG VIA STRAITS, &c.	CATHERINE APACHA	Brit. str.	—		YOKOHAMA	
HAVRE & HAMBURG VIA STRAITS, &c.	NAMSANG	Brit. str.	—		YOKOHAMA	

## VESSELS ON THE BERTH

COMPAGNIE DES MESSAGERIES MARITIMES  
FRENCH MAIL STEAMERS.

STEAM FOR SAIGON, SINGAPORE, BATAVIA, COLOMBO, ADEN, EGYPT, MARSEILLES, LONDON, HAVRE, BORDEAUX, MEDITERRANEAN AND BLACK SEA PORTS.

## THE Steamship

"ARMAND BEHIC," Captain Guionnet, will be despatched for MARSEILLES on TUESDAY, the 26th December, at 1 P.M.  
Passage tickets and through Bills of Lading issued for above ports.

Cargo also booked for principal places in Europe.

Next sailings will be as follows:

S.S. "ERNEST SIMONS" ... 9th Jan.  
S.S. "POLYNESIEN" ... 23rd Jan.  
S.S. "CALEDONIAN" ... 6th Feb.  
G. de CHAMPEAUX, Agent.

Hongkong, 13th December, 1905. [2]

EASTERN AND AUSTRALIAN STEAMSHIP COMPANY, LIMITED.

FOR SYDNEY AND MELBOURNE.  
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## THE Steamship

OCEAN STEAMSHIP COMPANY, LTD.  
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## JOINT SERVICES.

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NORTH AND SOUTH AMERICAN, WEST AUSTRALIAN, JAVA  
AND SUMATRA PORTS.

## EUROPEAN SERVICE.

## OUTWARDS.

FROM	STEAMERS	TO
GLASGOW and LIVERPOOL	"TELEMACHUS"	On 22nd December.
GLASGOW and LIVERPOOL	"PYRHUS"	On 2nd January.
GLASGOW and LIVERPOOL	"SAINT BEDE"	On 2nd January.
GLASGOW and LIVERPOOL	"PATROCULUS"	On 9th January.
GLASGOW and LIVERPOOL	"ANTENOR"	On 16th January.
GLASGOW and LIVERPOOL	"OOPACK"	On 23rd January.
GLASGOW and LIVERPOOL	"NINGCHOW"	On 24th January.
GLASGOW and LIVERPOOL	"ACHILLES"	On 30th January.
GLASGOW and LIVERPOOL	"PELLEUS"	On 6th February.
GLASGOW and LIVERPOOL	"ALCINOUS"	On 13th February.

## HOMEWARDS.

FOR	STEAMERS	TO SAIL
AMSTERDAM, LONDON and ANTWERP	"TYDEUS"	On 2nd January.
AMSTERDAM, LONDON and ANTWERP	"IDOMENEUS"	On 16th January.
GENOA, MARSEILLES and LIVERPOOL	"PAKLING"	On 20th January.
AMSTERDAM, LONDON and ANTWERP	"STENTOR"	On 30th January.
AMSTERDAM, LONDON and ANTWERP	"SAINT BEDE"	On 13th February.
GENOA, MARSEILLES and LIVERPOOL	"PATROCULUS"	On 26th February.
AMSTERDAM, LONDON and ANTWERP	"ANTENOR"	On 27th February.

\* Taking cargo for Liverpool at London rates.

## TRANS-PACIFIC SERVICE.

Operating in conjunction with

## THE NORTHERN PACIFIC RAILWAY CO.

AND TAKING CARGO ON THROUGH BILLS OF LADING TO ALL OVERLAND  
COMMON POINTS IN THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA AND CANADA.  
EAS PWARD.

FOR	STEAMERS	TO SAIL
VICTORIA, SEATTLE, TACOMA, & PACIFIC COAST PORTS, VIA NAGASAKI, KOBE and YOKO.	"TELEMACHUS"	On 24th December.
YOKO	"NINGCHOW"	On 24th January.

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STEAMERS  
TYDEUS".....  
DUE  
PINGSUEY".....  
y to—  
BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE,  
AGENTS.GATION CO.  
TED.STEAMERS  
PAOTING".....  
On 22nd December.  
PAKHOI".....  
On 23rd December.  
YOCHOW".....  
On 23rd December.  
CHINGTU".....  
On 25th December.  
TAMING".....  
On 27th December.CHANGSHA".....  
On 27th December.SUNGKIANG".....  
On 28th December.The superior accommodation offered by these  
o Light. Unrivalled Table. A duly qualified

all Yangtze and Northern China Ports.

rates for all New Zealand Ports and other

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## PROPOSED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG.

## SUBJECT TO ALTERATION.

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NUBIA..... HAVE and HAMBURG..... On 24th Dec. Freight.

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AMERIA..... HAVE and HAMBURG..... On 16th Jan. Freight.

BRISGAVIA..... HAVE and HAMBURG..... On 25th Jan. Freight.

RHENANIA..... HAVE and HAMBURG..... On 7th Feb. Freight &amp;

\* Special attention of intending Passengers is drawn to the splendid accommodation of this  
steamer. Saloon and cabin amidships. Lighted throughout by electricity. Duly qualified

doctor and stewardess are carried.

For further Particulars apply to

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CONNECTING AT TACOMA WITH

## NORTHERN PACIFIC RAILWAY COMPANY.

PROPOSED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG FOR  
VICTORIA B.C. AND TACOMA  
VIA  
MOJI, KOBE AND YOKOHAMA.

Steamer.	Tons.	Captain.	Sailing Date.
LYRA	4,417	G. V. Williams	Friday, December 29th
SHAWMUT	9,606	E. V. Roberts	Wednesday, January 24th

† Cargo only.

CHEAP FARES, EXCELLENT ACCOMMODATION, ATTENDANCE AND  
CUISINE, ELECTRIC LIGHT, DOCTOR AND STEWARDESS.The twin-screw ss. "SHAWMUT" and "TREMONT" are fitted with very superior  
Accommodation for First and Second Class Passengers. The large size of these vessels ensures  
steadiness at sea. Electric fan in each room. Barber's shop and steam laundry. Cargo carried  
in cold storage.

## PARCEL EXPRESS TO THE UNITED STATES AND CANADA.

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REGULAR STEAMSHIP SERVICES BETWEEN  
HONGKONG, SOUTH CHINA COAST PORTS  
AND FORMOSA.PROPOSED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG—  
SUBJECT TO ALTERATION.

FOR	THE CO'S S.S.	LEAVING	THE CHIEFEST S.S.	LEAVING
TAMSUI via SWATOW AND AMOY	"DAIJIN MARU" S. TAGAMI	SUNDAY, 24th Dec., at 10 A.M.	"FRITHJOF"	WEDNESDAY, 27th Dec., at 10 A.M.
TAMSUI via SWATOW AND AMOY	"DAIJIN MARU" H. OHTA	SUNDAY, 31st Dec., at 10 A.M.	"FRITHJOF"	WEDNESDAY, 27th Dec., at 10 A.M.
SHANGHAI via SWATOW AMOY and FOOCHOW	"ANPING MARU" N. Kobayashi	THURSDAY, 4th Jan., at 10 A.M.	"FRITHJOF"	WEDNESDAY, 27th Dec., at 10 A.M.
ANPING via SWATOW AND AMOY	THE CHIEFEST S.S. H. A. H. J. ODF	SUNDAY, 24th Dec., at 10 A.M.	"FRITHJOF"	WEDNESDAY, 27th Dec., at 10 A.M.

\* These Steamers have superior accommodation for First-class Passengers, and are fitted  
throughout with electric light.

† Taking cargo on through Bills of Lading to all Yangtze and Northern China Ports.

For Freight, Passage, and further information, apply at the Company's local Branch Office  
at No. 8, Des Vaux Road Central.

Hongkong, 20th December, 1905.

T. ARIMA, Manager.

## JAVA-CHINA-JAPAN LIJN.

REGULAR FOUR-WEEKLY SERVICE BETWEEN

JAVA, CHINA AND JAPAN.

STEAMER	FROM	EXPECTED ON OR ABOUT	WILL LEAVE FOR	ON OR ABOUT
TJIPANAS.	JAVA	Second half of December	JAPAN via SHANGHAI	Second half of December
TJIMAH	JAPAN	First half of January	JAVA PORTS	First half of January
TJILIWONG.	JAVA	First half of January	JAPAN via SHANGHAI	Second half of January
TJILATJAP.	JAVA	Second half of January	JAPAN via SHANGHAI	First half of February

The Steamers are all fitted throughout with Electric Light and have accommodation for a  
limited number of Saloon Passengers, and will take cargo to all Netherland-ruled ports on  
through Bills of Lading.

For Particulars of Freight and Passage, apply to the

HEAD AGENCY OF THE  
JAVA-CHINA-JAPAN LIJN.York Buildings, 1st Floor.  
Hongkong, 19th December, 1905.

Telephone No. 375.

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## VESSELS ON THE BERTH

THE PENINSULAR AND ORIENTAL  
STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY.STEAM FOR STRAITS, CEYLON, AUS-  
TRALIA, INDIA, ADEN, EGYPT,  
MEDITERRANEAN PORTS.PLYMOUTH AND LONDON  
THROUGH BILLS OF LADING ISSUED FORBATAVIA, PHILIPPINE GULF, CONTINENTAL,  
AMERICAN AND SOUTH AFRICAN PORTS.

## THE Steamship

## "CHUSAN"

Captain H. W. Keirrie, R.N.R., carrying His  
Majesty's Mails, will be despatched from thisfor Bombay on SATURDAY, the 30th December,  
at NOON, taking passengers and cargo for the  
above ports in connection with the Company's  
s.s. Victoria, 6,522 tons, from Colombo.Passenger's accommodation in which vessel is  
secured before departure from Hongkong.Silk and Valuables, all cargo for France, and  
Taxes on London (under arrangement), will be  
transhipped at Colombo into the mail steamer  
proceeding direct to Marseilles and London;  
other cargo for London, &c., will be conveyed  
from Bombay by the R.M.S. Persia, due  
to London on 10th February.Parcels will be received at this Office until  
4 p.m. the day before sailing. The contents  
and value of all packages are required.  
For further particulars, apply toE. A. HEWETT,  
Superintendent,

Hongkong, 18th December, 1905.

## SHIPPING IN PORT.

## STEAMERS.

ALGOA, British str., 4,897. A. Lockett, 17th

Dec., San Francisco via Portland, Tacoma

17th Oct. and Moji 12th Dec., flour and  
General—P. M. S. Co.

ANAPA, British str., 2,250. J. M. Williamson,

17th Dec., Moji 11th Dec., Coal—Dodd,  
W. & Co.

ANPING, Chinese str., 1,159. J. Warwick, 15th

Dec., Shanghai 12th Dec., General—  
Chinese.

APENDE, German str., 611. Ulderup, 18th

Dec., Tamsui 17th Dec., General—  
Jensen & Co.

BANGKOK, German str., 1,237. E. Klimmt,

5th Dec., Bangkok 22nd Nov., Rice and  
Oil—Jardine, Matheson & Co.

WONG KOK, German str., 1,170. W. Rehn,

6th Dec., Bangkok 26th November and  
Swatow 5th December, General—Jensen &  
Co.

## POST OFFICE NOTICES.

## CHRISTMAS CARDS.

Christmas Cards (if prepaid at Printed Matter rates) must be posted either in an unfastened envelope or in a cover which can be easily removed for the purpose of examination without breaking any seal or tearing any paper or separating any adhering surfaces. Covers may be secured with string.

Cards in closed envelopes with notched ends or corners cut will be taxed as letters.

## CHRISTMAS AND NEW YEAR'S HOLIDAYS.

Christmas Day, Boxing Day and New Year's Day have been declared public holidays. On Christmas Day the Post Office will be open from 8.00 a.m. until 9.00 a.m. There will be one delivery and one collection as on Sundays. In the event of the French Mail arriving from Europe the Post Office will open for one hour after the mail is sorted.

On Boxing Day the Post Office will remain open until the French Mail for Europe is dispatched at Noon.

On New Year's Day the Post Office will be closed except from 8.00 a.m. till 9.00 a.m. There will be one delivery of letters and one collection as on Sundays.

The Money Order Office will be entirely closed during the holidays.

The *Indo-Asian*, with the French mail of the 24th November, leaves Saigon on Saturday, the 23rd instant, at 9 a.m., and may be expected here on or about Tuesday, the 26th inst. This packet brings replies to letters despatched from Hongkong on 21st October.

The American Mail ex. s.s. *China* has been transferred at Kobe to the s.s. *Chengsha* which is expected to arrive here on Sunday, the 24th instant.

A Mail for MACAO is despatched from the s.s. *Winchell*, on week-days at 5.00 p.m. On Saturday the mail for Macao is closed at 8.00 a.m.

Mails for CANTON, SAMSHU and WUCHOW are closed on week-days at 7.30 a.m. and at 5.00 p.m.

Mails for NAMTAO, SANHUE, KONGMOON, KUMCHUK, SAMSHU, and WUCHOW are closed every weekday, at 5 p.m. On Sundays the mails are closed at 8 a.m.

No mails are despatched to these places on Saturday evenings, unless previously notified.

## MAILS WILL CLOSE

## FOR PRE. DATE.

Germany	Friday,	22nd, 11.00 A.M.
Heungshan	Friday,	22nd, 1.15 P.M.
Tripaut	Friday,	22nd, 2.10 P.M.
Huaytob	Friday,	22nd, 2.00 P.M.
Washing	Friday,	22nd, 3.00 P.M.
Porting	Friday,	22nd, 3.00 P.M.
Yewnsang	Friday,	22nd, 4.00 P.M.
Rudi	Friday,	22nd, 5.00 P.M.
Lacets	Saturday,	23rd, 1.15 P.M.
Heungshan	Saturday,	23rd, 2.00 P.M.
Yousang	Saturday,	23rd, 3.00 P.M.
Pakhoi	Saturday,	23rd, 3.00 P.M.
Daiji Morn	Saturday,	23rd, 5.00 P.M.
Pitsualok	Saturday,	23rd, 5.00 P.M.
Mania	Sunday,	24th, 9.00 A.M.
Manila	Sunday,	24th, 9.00 A.M.
Saigon	Monday,	25th, 9.00 A.M.
Macao	Monday,	25th, 9.00 A.M.
Singapore, Penang and Calcutta	Tuesday,	26th, Printed Matter and Samples, 10.00 A.M.
Shanghai	Tuesday,	26th, 10.00 A.M. (Registration, 16.00 A.M. fee of 10 cents, up to 10.45 A.M.)
Castow, Amoy and Tamsui	Tuesday,	26th, 10.00 A.M. (Registration, 16.00 A.M. fee of 10 cents, up to 10.45 A.M.)
Canton and Bangkok	Tuesday,	26th, 10.00 A.M. (Registration, 16.00 A.M. fee of 10 cents, up to 10.45 A.M.)
Singapore, Penang and Calcutta	Tuesday,	26th, 10.00 A.M. (Registration, 16.00 A.M. fee of 10 cents, up to 10.45 A.M.)
Yokohama and Kobe	Tuesday,	26th, 10.00 A.M. (Registration, 16.00 A.M. fee of 10 cents, up to 10.45 A.M.)

EUROPE, &c. INDIA VIA TUTICORIN .....  
"to Letters 11.00 to 11.30 A.M. Extra Postage 10 cents."  
(Letters posted in all the Pillar Boxes in time for the first clearance will be included in this contract mail) .....

Macao, Port Darwin, Thursday Island, Townsville, Cairns, Townsville, Brisbane, Sydney, Hobart, Launceston, New Zealand, Melbourne, Adelaide and Perth, Moji, Kobe, Yokohama and Portland .....

SHANGHAI, NAGASAKI, KOBE, YOKOHAMA, HONOLULU and SAN FRANCISCO .....  
(Supplementary mail on board up to the time fixed for departure of the mail Extra Postage 10 cents) .....

Macao, Port Darwin, Thursday Island, Townsville, Cairns, Townsville, Brisbane, Sydney, Hobart, Launceston, New Zealand, Melbourne, Adelaide and Perth, Moji, Kobe, Yokohama and Portland .....

TO-DAY, The Zorilla Musical Comedy Co., City Hall, 9 p.m.

TO-MORROW, Sale, Toys with Sweets & Chocolate, &c., Sales Room, Mr. V. I. Remond, 2.30 p.m.

## COMMERCIAL.

CLOSING QUOTATIONS 21st December.

ON LONDON—Telegraphic Transfer ..... 2.0<sup>1</sup><sub>2</sub>  
Bank Bills, on demand ..... 2.0<sup>1</sup><sub>2</sub>  
Bank Bills, at 20 days' sight ..... 2.0<sup>1</sup><sub>2</sub>  
Bank Bills, at 4 months' sight ..... 2.0<sup>1</sup><sub>2</sub>  
Credits, at 4 months' sight ..... 2.0<sup>1</sup><sub>2</sub>  
Documentary Bills, 4 months' sight ..... 2.0<sup>1</sup><sub>2</sub>

ON PARIS—Bank Bills, on demand ..... 2584  
Credits, at 4 months' sight ..... 163

ON GERMANY—On demand ..... 210

ON NEW YORK—Bank Bills, on demand ..... 504  
Credits, 60 days' sight ..... 51

ON BOMBAY—Telegraphic Transfer ..... 153

Bank, on demand ..... 153<sup>1</sup><sub>2</sub>

ON CALCUTTA—Telegraphic Transfer ..... 153

Bank, on demand ..... 153<sup>1</sup><sub>2</sub>

ON SHANGHAI—Bank, at sight ..... 713

Private, 30 days' sight ..... 722

ON YOKOHAMA—On demand ..... 100

ON MANILA—On demand—Peso ..... 101

ON SINGAPORE—On demand ..... 7 p.c. p.m.

ON BATAVIA—On demand ..... 123<sup>1</sup><sub>2</sub>

ON HAIPHONG—On demand ..... 11 p.c. p.m.

ON SAIGON—On demand ..... 1 p.c. p.m.

ON BANGKOK—On demand ..... 604

OVERSEAS, Bank's Buying Rate ..... 0.65

GOLD LEAF, 100 fine, per tael ..... 51.50

BAR SILVER, per oz. ..... 30<sup>1</sup><sub>2</sub>

## OPIUM.

21st December. Quotations are:—Allow 10% to 1 cent.

Malwa New ..... \$1020 to ..... per picul.

Malwa Old ..... \$1050 to ..... "

Malwa Old ..... \$1160 to ..... "

Malwa V. Old ..... \$1260 to ..... "

Persian extra fine ..... \$1300 to ..... "

Persian New ..... \$175 to ..... per chest.

Persian Old ..... \$250 to ..... "

Banaras New ..... \$1935 to ..... "

Banaras Old ..... \$1915 to ..... "

## ARRIVALS AT HOME.

Dec. 19th—Borussia, Alberga.

## PASSENGERS ARRIVED.

Per Chingtu, from Australia, Mr. and Mrs. Young, Miss Duncan, Messrs. Shigh, Harvey, Beauchamp, Ellis, Hoshing, Blum, Guinsborough, Jackson and Mr. and Mrs. Hewes from Manila.

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## VESSELS EXPECTED.

THE AMERICAN MAIL.

The P.M. str. *Michigan* left Shanghai on the 26th Dec. at 1 a.m., and is due here at 8 a.m. to-day.

The P.M. str. *China* left Yokohama for Hongkong via Manila on the 15th Dec., and is due here on the 27th Dec.

## JOINT STOCK SHARES.

Hongkong, 21st December.

COMPANY. PAID UP. QUOTATIONS.

Alhambra ..... \$200 \$100, buyers

Banks ..... \$125 \$85, London, 202.10

National B. of China ..... 25 \$7, buyers

Bell's Estates E. A. ..... 2s. 6d. \$7, sellers

China Light & P. Co. ..... \$10 50, sellers

China Provident ..... \$10 \$9.

Cotton Mills—Evo. ..... 1s. 50 \$5, buyers

Hongkong ..... \$10 \$14, sellers

International ..... 1s. 75 \$4, 40

Laou Kung Mow ..... 1s. 100 \$60

Soyches ..... 1s. 600 \$10, 25

Dairy Farm ..... \$8 \$16, sellers

Docks and Wharves—Farnham, H. & Co. ..... 1s. 100 \$127, buyers

H. & K. Wharf & G. ..... \$80 \$161, buyers

H. & W. Dock ..... \$80 \$163, buyers

New Amoy Dock ..... \$83 \$17.

S'pore & H. Wharf ..... 1s. 100 \$20.

Shanhae ..... \$80 \$15, buyers

Shanhae ..... \$80 \$13, sellers

Steamship ..... \$80 \$24.

G. Island Cement ..... \$10 \$28, sellers

Hongkong Electric ..... \$10 \$17, buyers

Do. New ..... \$10 \$14, buyers

H. L. Tramways ..... \$100 \$15, sellers

Hongkong Hotel Co. ..... \$20 \$140, sellers

Hongkong K. & G. ..... \$20 \$155.

Hongkong K. & G. Waterbowl ..... \$10 \$13, sellers

Insurance—

Canton ..... \$50 \$25, sellers

China Fire ..... \$20 \$27, sellers

China Traders ..... \$50 \$34, sellers

Hongkong Fire ..... \$50 \$30, sellers

North China ..... 2s. 10s. \$10, sellers

Union ..... \$100 \$110, sellers

Yangtze ..... \$80 \$170.

Land and Building—

Hongkong Land ..... \$102 \$125, sellers

Humphrey's Estate ..... \$10 \$12, buyers

Kowloon Land & B. ..... \$20 \$40, buyers

Shanghai Land ..... 1s. 12s. \$50, buyers

West Point Building ..... \$50 \$65, sellers

Mining—

Charbonnages ..... Fcs. 250 \$400.

Raubs ..... 1s. 10s. \$33, buyers

Philippine Co. ..... \$10 \$35, buyers

Refineries—

China Sugar ..... \$100 \$205, sellers

Luzon Sugar ..... \$100 \$23, sellers

Steamship Companies—

China and Manlin ..... \$25 \$